

ELMVALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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The Presbyterian Church in Canada



"Elmvale Presbyterian Church is a Christian Community where everyone is welcome, sharing God's love through worship, music, prayer, teaching and outreach."



Service Date: Sunday September 29, 2024

Minister: Rev Tom Mason

Please stand for the entry of the Bible, if you are able.

**WE PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF QUIET REFLECTION TO
PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP**

Shine the light of your Word on the path ahead, O God. Help us choose the way of your wisdom, so we may bear fruit that is

pleasing to you and shines your light into the world around us.

Amen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS: Marlene Lambie, Clerk of Session.

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) Sarah Covey

We are called together

To worship God as the people of God.

God calls us by name and knows what rests in our minds and our hearts, and calls us:

To worship God as the people of God.

We come yearning to be transformed and redirected to paths of justice and in ways of love so that in truth we can turn to God:

To worship God as the people of God.

God invites us to worship as beloved and loving people and together:

To worship God as the people of God.

HYMN #108 Praise Ye the Lord

PRAYERS OF ADORATION, CONFESSION, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER OF ADORATION (unison)

Holy and loving God,

blessed are you in all the universe:

your goodness is seen in creation,

your holiness is incomprehensible,

your truth and wisdom are radiant,

your justice rolls down like waters,

your love is wider than all the universe and

your mercy greater than the heights of heaven.

and so, with our lips we sing your praises

and we join with your good creation in joyful praise of you

as Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit. **Amen**

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Compassionate God, you open your heart to all of us, never turning us away. We confess that we are your imperfect and sinful creation and that we can sin even when we do not know. Forgive us O Lord when we stray from the teachings of Jesus. The places and times when our actions and intentions towards each other fall short. When we feel uncomfortable or fearful, when we are placed in new or unfamiliar places and situations. Forgive us O Lord and make us ever faithful to you, give us open hearts that embrace others, and which are filled with the love of Jesus. Renew our commitment to show others the kindness we meet in Jesus Christ as we say together the words Jesus taught us

THE LORDS PRAYER (unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (unison)

By God's grace we have been saved and this is not our own doing; it is a gift of God. **Amen**

FAMILY HYMN #378 Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the Morning

FAMILY TIME

SOLO BY Corrin Reczuch

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 100 (responsive) Sarah Covey

One: Make a joyful noise to the LORD all the earth.

All: Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

One: Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

All: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

One: For the LORD is good.

All: His steadfast love endures forever and he is faithful to all generations.

The Old Testament Reading: Ezra 3:10-11

The New Testament Reading: Philippians 4:4-9

Leader: This is the Word of God.

The People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: "Rejoice!" By Rev Tom

HYMN #421 Rejoice in the Lord

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Sarah Covey

Please feel free to make your offering when the Ushers pass by.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING:

All that we have comes from you, O God. Use our lives and the gifts we offer to build a more peaceful and just world that reflects the principles of your reign and the Good News of peace, healing and love of Jesus Christ.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Doxology #79 praise him, all creatures here below:

praise him above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

Gracious God, take these our gifts and use them for your good, in the strong name of Jesus through his love and care we pray.

Amen.

HYMN #372 Praise Him, Praise Him, Jesus our Blessed Redeemer

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

BENEDICTION & BLESSING

The Apostle Paul tells us that now faith, hope and love abide, but that the greatest of these is love.

Go with these words on your hearts,

And may the God of wisdom guide you;

The Christ of mercy walk beside you;

And the Spirit of hope inspire you each and every day,

Now and always. **Amen.**

Walk with the Lord

Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.

Congregational Announcements

Thank you Corrin Reczuch for sharing your musical talents with us.

Birthday Cake Sunday!

Mon Sept 30 - CE meeting at 7pm – think Christmas!

Tues Oct 01 – Centre Flos W.I. 1-4 pm (Rental)

Tues Oct 01 – Ministry & Leadership Team Presbytery – 3 pm
(Rental)

Wed Oct 02 – Craft Group 9 am

Thurs Oct 03 – Choir at 7pm

We are looking for a child's high chair to replace the ones presently at the church. Preferably in good condition and meeting the safety standards of the day.

Worship and Nurture are looking to putting a float in the Fall Fair Parade. The theme is "Memories Then and Now, we are looking for suggestions and help to make this happen- please speak to Janice or Elizabeth.

Please be in prayer over who you would like to submit for Eldership to fill the vacancy. The deadline is approaching.

Monetary Donations can be auto-deposit to:

donatetoepc@rogers.com

Please comment where to direct the donation; 1) General 2) Presbyterian Sharing 3) PWS&D 4) other missions such as - Food Bank, We Care etc.

Food Bank Current Needs:

cereal, apple and tomato juice (1 litre container),
pasta sauce (urgent), canned potatoes,
hamburg helper ,side kicks, cookies, canned pasta,
cr. chicken soup, pancake mix,
pancake syrup, Jello pudding mix, kidney beans,
canned meat, rice, canned tomatoes,
canned cranberries, turkey gravy.
(Thanksgiving coming)

Reminder: Elmvale Food Bank needs spare plastic/recycling grocery bags



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